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Resolution adopted by the General Assembly

[*on the report of the Fifth Committee (A/60/748)*]

60/258. Joint Inspection Unit

The General Assembly,

I

Reaffirming its previous resolutions on the Joint Inspection Unit, in particular resolutions 31/192 of 22 December 1976, 50/233 of 7 June 1996, 54/16 of 29 October 1999, 55/230 of 23 December 2000, 56/245 of 24 December 2001, 57/284 A and B of 20 December 2002, 58/286 of 8 April 2004 and 59/267 of 23 December 2004,

Having considered the report of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2004 and its programme of work for 2005[1] and the note by the Chairperson of the Unit on the programme of work of the Unit for 2006,[2]

Noting the ongoing internal reform process of the Joint Inspection Unit aimed at further improving its effectiveness,

1. *Notes* the thematic reports mentioned in the programme of work of the Joint Inspection Unit for 2005,[3] and in this regard reaffirms paragraph 4 of its resolution 50/233;

2. *Reaffirms* the unique role of the Unit as the only system-wide external oversight body;

3. *Welcomes* the efforts made by the Unit to improve the quality of the reports issued in 2004 and also the improvements made in the implementation of its reform process, as indicated in paragraphs 1 to 5 of its report;[1]

4. *Takes note with appreciation* of the single consolidated format of the report of the Unit on its activities for 2004 and its programme of work for 2005;[1]

5. *Notes* paragraphs 28 and 29 of the report of the Unit for 2004, and urges all host countries to facilitate prompt access for inspectors to all offices of participating organizations;

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[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 34* (A/60/34).

[2] A/C.5/60/CRP.1.

[3] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Sixtieth Session, Supplement No. 34* (A/60/34), chap. II.

6. *Takes note* of the programme of work for 2006,[2] and requests the Unit to continue to submit an advance version of its programme of work to the General Assembly at the first part of its resumed sessions;

7. *Requests* the Unit to continue to enhance dialogue with participating organizations and thereby to strengthen the follow-up of the implementation of its recommendations, in particular on managing for results;

8. *Reaffirms* the importance of effective coordination, in the implementation of their respective mandates, between the Unit, the Board of Auditors and the Office of Internal Oversight Services, in order to maximize the use of resources and share experiences, knowledge, best practices and lessons learned;

9. *Requests* the Unit to include in future annual reports more information on the impact of full implementation of recommendations, including any cost savings, productivity and efficiency gains achieved;

II

Having considered the note by the President of the General Assembly on the procedures for the appointment of inspectors of the Joint Inspection Unit,[4]

Decides to revert to the consideration of this subject at its sixty-first session.

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[4] A/60/659.